PLAQUEMINES PARISH

As a highly affected parish, Plaquemines has a strong interest in focusing on hurricane protection and safety in its long-term planning process. Residents want to ensure that they can move back to their original home locations — some immediately, others more cautiously.

WHEN WILL WE RETURN?

50%

Safer than before

Same level of safety as before

45%

Move back now



Effects of Katrina and Rita

Plaquemines was one of the most devastated of all Louisiana parishes. Hurricane Rita reflooded the area. Over 50% of buildings were completely destroyed, and the parish experienced evacuation of up to 25,000 residents.

PARISH TOP PRIORITIES:

- #1 Build better levees & other hurricane protection
- #2 Restore coastal areas
- #3 Attract new businesses to the area
- #4 Improve the schools

WE TREASURE...

...our recreational opportunities, including year-round hunting and fishing and quiet communities with small businesses. We want to ensure that landmarks such as Ft. Jackson are safe.

WE STRONGLY AGREE

100% Changing our parish plans is an option if it makes the region stronger.

Zoning and land use plans should be used **81**% to guide rebuilding

We should ensure that residents can return **78**% to their original home sites

We should rebuild public buildings that are 68% in high-risk areas

We should prioritize flood protection over 66% other needs

SPLIT DECISIONS



59% We should rebuild first in high-risk areas



